

REMARKS

[0005] Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of all of the claims of the application. The status of the claims is as follows:

- Claims 1, 3-11, 13-16 and 25-31 are currently pending
- Claims 2 and 17-24 are canceled herein
- Claims 1, 9 and 13 are amended herein
- New claims 25-31 are added herein

[0006] If the Office's reply to this Response is anything other than allowance of all pending claims, then Applicant formally requests the Examiner to contact the undersigned attorney to quickly and efficiently resolve any issues.

[0007] Applicant encourages the Examiner to call and schedule a date and time for a telephone communication that is most convenient for both of us. Alternately, Applicant also encourages email communication in lieu of telephone communication. Applicant's attorney's contact information may be found on the last page of this response.

Claims 1-11 and 13-23 Are Non-Obvious Over Bracho et al (6,021,443) in view of Koch (7,027,008).

[0008] Claims 1-11 and 13-23 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Bracho et al (6,021,443) in view of Koch (7,027,008). Applicant respectfully traverses the rejections. Nevertheless, without

conceding the propriety of the rejection and in the interest of expediting allowance of the application, independent claims 1 and 9 are amended to expedite allowance of the subject application. Support for the claim amendments and additions can be found in the original disclosure at least at paragraphs [0045], [0047] and [0048]. No new matter has been added.

[0009] In light of the amendments presented herein, Applicant respectfully asserts the references at least fail to teach or suggest:

wherein the identification of the original network attachment point and the identification of the current attachment point is synchronized with an entry in a local connection translation table stored locally on a remote peer (Amended Claim 1)

and

synchronizing a previous network address entry associated to a previous network attachment point of the remote peer in a locally stored local connection translation table with a corresponding current network address entry associated to a current network attachment point of the remote peer. (Amended Claim 9)

[00010] In fact, during the interview, Applicant understood the Examiner to tentatively agree that the references do not teach or suggest the features of amended claim 9. Accordingly, independent claim 1 (which has been amended in a similar manner) and its dependent claims and new independent claim 25 and its dependent claims, are allowable over at least the cited references. Thus, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to withdraw these rejections.

Conclusion

[00011] Applicant submits that all pending claims are in condition for allowance. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and prompt issuance of the application. If any issues remain that prevent issuance of this application, the Examiner is urged to contact the undersigned representative for the Applicant before issuing a subsequent Action.

Respectfully Submitted,

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